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RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR RESTRICTION

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In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed May 28, 2003, Applicants elect Group I, claims 1 to 15, drawn to nucleic acids, vector, host cell, method of expression, classified in class 536, subclass 23.1, with traverse.

A response is due on or before July 28, 2003, with one-month extension. A check in the amount of \$55.00 is enclosed to cover the petition fee for a one-month extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1). Please charge any additional fees that may be due to Deposit Account No. 50-0311; Attorney Reference No. 15966-554 CON-S14 (Customer Number: 30623).

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